



STINGER SPORTS

MEN'S VARSITY SOCCER: 1986-87 YEAR IN REVIEW

After going all the way to the Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union (CIAU) finals in 1985, the defending Quebec University Athletic Association (QUAA) champion Concordia Stingers were unable to repeat that feat.

The club began the 1986 campaign with six straight victories. However, four of those wins were taken away when it was learnt that Stinger veteran Carlos Carvalho had signed a pro contract the previous spring with the LaSalle Cosmos of the semi-pro Quebec National Soccer League.

Concordia finished the regular season with a record of 5-5. But the only 'real' defeat they had suffered was a 2-1 setback at the hands of McGill. If it were not for the controversy, which Stinger officials had absolutely no prior knowledge of, the team would have wound up tied with the Redmen for top spot at 9-1.

The Carvalho situation was not good for morale and head coach Andy Onorato's troops lost both of their games, 1-0 to McGill and 3-1 to Sherbrooke, in the three-team round-robin playoff format.

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